Lafayette Public Library Board meeting minutes

Remote meeting via Zoom Conference

May 10, 2021

I. Call to order at 6:33 pm

Present: Chair Olivia Ameigh, Vice Chair Susan Curtis, Secretary Dave Belin, Randy Bender, Ed Knight, Denice Walker, Autumn Warrington, Library Director Melissa Hisel, Assistant Director Scott Foley, Marketing Coordinator Director Allison Trippe, and City Council Liaison Tim Barnes.

- II. Library Mission: "The Lafayette Public Library brings community, information, and ideas together to inspire learning, literacy, and discovery."
- III. **Approval of Minutes from April 2021 Meeting**: Curtis moved to accept the minutes from the April 2021 meeting, as written; Ameigh seconded. Motion passed unanimously.
- IV. **Comments from Public**: None.
- ٧. Director's Report: Assistant Director Foley introduced Trippe to the Board. Trippe told the Board about her experience teaching in public education in Texas and subsequent move to Colorado. Her role at the library is as Marketing Director, focused on social media, branding, and signage, as well as with the data team crunching numbers about usage and patrons at the library. Foley reported to the board about preparations for the Summer Reading program, which will be partially virtual and partially on-site. Story time will return in limited numbers outdoors. Other group activities are also re-starting, some of which will be virtual. The library is hiring for several positions, including materials handlers and other positions. The level of service and schedule will remain "as is" through the summer (closed Mondays). Other adjustments could be made at the end of the summer, still to be determined. The library is conducting an anonymous survey of staff about vaccination levels. It is likely that masks will continue to be required of staff and customers in the near term. Boards and Commissions will return to meeting in person once the City Council begins in-person meetings, which is yet to be determined. The Board discussed input on mid-year goals and objectives, which will likely be discussed in greater detail at the next board meeting.
- VI. **Other Business:** Curtis suggested the Board acknowledge Foley's large contribution to the Library as Assistant Director during Director Hisel's absence. Barnes noted that he would make an announcement at an upcoming City Council meeting, based on Board input. Additionally, Warrington described a <u>gear library</u> in Glenwood Springs where people can check out outdoor equipment. Also, Knight reported about his newly published book, *Gunslinger*.
- VII. **FOLF Update**. Bender reported about the new intake of materials from the public for the Friends book sales. The Friends is meeting in person for the first time this month.
- VIII. **City Council Liaison Report:** Councilor Barnes shared the Council focus on its goals for the years, including various surveys and studies that are being conducted. Funding for body cameras for police officers was approved, and the police department has been testing the body cameras over the last two weeks. The Human Rights Committee will be making a recommendation on the

naming of historic places. A new Sustainability Coordinator has been hired and is now working for the City. Water forecasts are more positive in the last week compared to earlier in the spring, but water management will still be a priority for the City. There is an opening on the Lafayette Urban Rural Authority (LURA) Board. The Denver Regional Council of Governments (DRCOG) supports funding for multi-modal transportation and safety improvements, some of which will be coming to Lafayette.

- IX. **Next Meeting Date**: June 14, 2021 at 6:30 pm. One topic will be further discussion of the midyear goals and objectives.
- X. **Adjourn:** Ameigh motioned to adjourn; Belin seconded. Motion passed unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 7:42 pm.

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